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A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO OUR READERS

Anglican Church Children Entertained to Xmas. Tree

The fun waxed fast and furious in George Giberts vacant store on Friday evening last, when the children, now numbering forty, connected with the Church Sunday School held their annual Christmas Entertainment. Two trees which were necessary to hold the good things provided for them by Santa Claus, were beautifully decorated by H. S. Thompson and Mr. Dingle.

Mr. Lewis Owen made a most admirable Santa Claus and succeeded in bringing great joy to the hearts of the children who were amazed to think that Santa Claus knew so much about them and their doings.

Commencing with the usual Christmas cheer, the children were regaled with the good things pertaining to the festive season. Then followed a short program, prepared for the benefit of parents present.

Mr. E. A. Dyer made a most modest chairman and the following took part:

Song, "The Dream Man"; Elsie and Bebbie Bonner.

Recitation, "The Christian Stocking"; May McNutt.

Quartette, "Old Santa"; Doris Bramley, May and Violet Bennett and Frances Lee.

Recitation, Ethel Holmes.

Recitation, "The tree that saved the town"; Elsie Bonner.

Song, "Canada"; Violet Bonner.

Recitation, "A Christmas Acrobat"; Pearl Anderson.

The unified Sunday school also sang Carols and Christmas hymns.

Mrs. Murdoch accompanying on the organ. Then there came the distribution of presents in which Santa was assisted by Mr and Mrs. H. O. redin and Mrs. Johnson.

The latter part of the evening was spent in playing games, and a very tired but happy company of children trooped home at the sound of the curfew.

Mr W. McKenzie spent the New Years in Calgary.

Word has been received by his friends of the arrival in Antigonish of N. T. Purcell.

City Pump Is Causing Trouble

Great inconvenience has been caused by the pump, put in at the intake by the Ingla Co. of Toronto, which has never worked properly since it was installed.

This week it was found impossible to use it, and the Ingla Co. was wired to complete repairs upon it and put it in a state of repair.

Luckily there was a head of water in the standpipe and although the C. P. R. were not supplied, town users were kept going.

The Ingla Company have now an expert at work making the necessary repairs.

Murgatroyd Hurt at C.P.R. Standpipe

Geo. Murgatroyd, superintendent of Waterworks had his mouth badly lacerated and several teeth broken, in an accident at the C. P. R. standpipe, Saturday morning. Superintendent English of the C. P. R. water maintenance dept. had a close call at the same time, a powerful shower of heavy iron counterweights falling all around him while he was down the well at the foot of the standpipe, but luckily escaping unharmed.

In the process of testing the back pressure, Murgatroyd clutched the arm of the affair, secured Murgatroyd, who in spite of the excessive pain he was suffering insisted on walking to Dr. Hagey, who fixed up his teeth.

English, who was standing in the well of the standpipe when the arm gave way was covered with heavy counterweights.

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STILES "The Druggist"

We have a window filled with dainty

ART CALENDARS

that we are clearing out at

25 Cents Each

These contain pictures of Bassano, C.P.R. Dam, pretty landscapes and sea views, which must be seen to be appreciated.

Special to those interested in our Piano Contest

Until Jan. 8th. we will give votes at the rate of 1000 with each 25c. purchase of Calendars. Buy two or three and help your favorite contestant.

The REXALL Store, The Best Drug Store

Board of Trade to Hold Re-organization Meeting Friday Night

Secretary Bond Issues Public Notice to That Effect. Town Hall will be Venue and Everyone Urged to Attend

HOW BASSANO FADED IN 1913

The year of 1913 has joined the ghosts, and Bassano is on the eve of welcoming another.

What 1914 will bring, we hardly dare venture to predict. Perhaps—and perhaps—and possibly. But our hopes are high, and they mightting out prediction. So we scan the old soundrel of a year that has passed and profit it for blessings. What has it done for Bassano? The cash box has been tight, which lends additional virtue to what has been accomplished. With times abnormally hard, we have persisted in spite of that urge, and have done what?

Completed water and sewer system, that will bear comparison with any single one in Western Canada. It hasn't the capacity of the larger few—but it has more capacity than most—and can equal anything in service pressure and general up-to-dateness. And at that, in spite of the odd criticisms, over recurrent on such jobs, we believe it has been constructed as economically and efficiently as possible, and that it reflects distinctive credit upon a conscientious 1913 Council. For \$200,000 we receive a waterworks system that will accommodate a city of more than ten thousand, and giving us the freshest, coolest and purest of waters.

We have an Incinerator, closely linked with the subject of public health. Just completed, it spells the abolition of the garbage pile, that nauseous addition of most Western towns and we venture to hazard that no town of Bassano's size can boast that the year 1913 brought it such a convenience.

The business section has been improved by the construction of additional blocks, the handsome mortared brick two story Yundt block, occupied by E. R. Muir, and the Walton block at the corner of Sec. ave. and Third st. The residential section has been vastly improved by the erection of a large number of first class houses. The rate-payers have authorized the Council to dispose of bonds to the best advantage for the drilling of a Gas well and the erection of a hospital.

The electric light service has been greatly extended.

A school inspector for the Bow Valley riding has been appointed with headquarters at Bassano.

The settlement of the C. P. R. lands has commenced with most of the Ready Made Farm colony, sold to sugar beet growers from Colorado.

A ferry has been put in at Flinnigan's Ford, bringing the Lou Butte trade closer; a bridge has been thrown across the Bow river, making Bassano easier of access to trade previously going to Cluny and Gleichen.

The six million dollar Dam of the C. P. R. has been completed, and is in process of testing.

We have more to be thankful for than appears at first glance.

Big Snake Case Presents Rare Features

First Time in Bassano's History That Hobo Corpus Act Has Been Recently Questioned.

The Big Snake case, wherein the Indian was sentenced to six months imprisonment for annoying a white girl on the street has developed singular features.

The Indian was tried by Magistrate Dr. Hagey, and Mayor Pierce. After conviction the friends of the Indian, who is related to one of the big Chiefs, retained J. S. Major of Burns and Major. In consequence a writ of habeas corpus was applied for on technical grounds relative to the conviction; and yesterday Justice Stuart at Calgary, granted a summons returnable Tuesday.

The argument for his release will be conducted then by Mr. R. C. Burns, with the Crown Prosecutor on the other side.

Word has been received that A. W. Perlestrus has dropped the appeal in the case of Speedy, wherein Speedy recovered wages under the Masters and Servants Act. S. M. Major of Burns and Major, represented Speedy and the case was tried before John Morden.

Go to the rink, this Thursday afternoon and see the first and the single in mighty and mortal combat. Con. Peleg accumulating all the married started horses, while Harvey Smith is rounding on the single rakes. Here's luck to them. Which? Both.

Winnington

James Barnett visited Richdale and Youngstown last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Boughey were host and hostess at a social evening at their fine home on the hillside, their present wife: Mr. and Mrs. Goss Colman and family, Sid Calderell, Mr. W. D. Macphay and Mr. Gordon Bartram.

The weather remains remarkably mild so far but perhaps before this is in print "plus".

Geo. Collins will visit Youngstown shortly.

Mr. Davison of Bassano is a late arrival in the district and is getting on. His business is

Jimmy Street Gets Gash Over Left Eye

Jimmy Street was mussed up a little

on the rink Tuesday night.

He was at the first practice, and got

in the road of the descending pack. A

gash was created above the left

eye, which required the insertion of 3

stitches. After attention was

paid to the toe.

Mayor Pearce was present and responded to the toast of the Town.

Other toasts were the Banking Com-

munity, proposed by W. J. Lawrie,

and replied to by G. Maynard; Our Guests

proposed by H. R. Jack and replied to

Donald Macdonald of Calgary; Our Guests

proposed by Jack Allen; Our Sweethearts, proposed by R. H. Boyd and responded to by G. H. Stevens and J. Sison.

Light in our darkness at the de-

pot.

The Book of Job inscribed "Greet-

ings from the Department of Natural Resources for the earnest consider-

ation of the Council."

Dutch George is around again after his attack of rheumatism, and he announces his intention of opening his new store in the first week of the new year.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs. W. J. Evans upon the birth of a girl which only

arrived Christmas by one day—born on

Dec. 26, 1913.

In Making Good Bread and Pastry

You require flour that is always uniform in quality

OGILVIE'S ROYAL HOUSEHOLD FLOUR

can always be depended upon to make the best bread, pies, cakes and pastry. Ask your grocer for

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A dance was held in East Berryessa on New Years Eve.

FREE! FREE! FREE!GIVEN AWAY—A Present With Every Purchase
No matter how small or how large.ONE MONTH ONLY HUB SUPPLY ONE MONTH ONLY
OPPOSITE HUNTER HOTELREMEMBER—You get something extra with every purchase.
If a suit of clothes, a watch, a pair of socks, a handkerchief.**We Wish You
A Happy New Year**

Again the circle of time records another year past, and instinctively we turn our faces to the future with a feeling of hope that the new year may have in store for us all, only that which may be good in everything.

Reviewing the past year, we feel that we owe to you, our customers and friends, a public acknowledgement for the liberal share of patronage you have given this store. You have made it our banner year in business. That we are grateful you may be assured, and to show our appreciation, we promise all that lays within our power toward making this establishment more and more attractive to you, and larger and more complete stocks than ever before.

Mr. LeLerte will take up his duties on the first of the year, and he will have under his jurisdiction all the towns along the Bow Valley, and the school districts, north and south.

Major Items

A number of Major people have gone east for the winter which accounts for things being a little quiet around here.

Mr and Mrs H. T. Stephens left Tuesday Dec. 30, for Medicine Hat, Alta., where Mr. Stephens will be engaged in teaching school.

Miss Faye Hall of Queenstown will leave in a short time for Calgary, and will spend the winter with her sister.

Mr A. A. Clemmons returned last week from Calgary with his bride, and also Mr W. A. Francis.

Mr Cunningham Long has purchased a gasoline engine and ice choppers, so that the people of the district will know where to get their chopping done.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. George Grieves Saturday morning, Dec 30, a son.

*We wish you and yours the Brightest,
Happiest, and Most Prosperous New Year*

YOURS TRULY

E. F. PURCELL**The Bassano Bakery**

Bread Shipped to all Points
Cakes Made To Your Order

Agents for
The Robin Hood Milling Co.

We Handle All the Good Things You See Advertised in the Big Magazines.

THIS store is headquarters. You will always find here everything you would expect to find in a similar store—and many things more.

We specialize on articles of genuine merit. Articles we have tried and tried ourselves and we can recommend.

You will find here all of the good—the best—of the standard household articles advertised in magazines.

We add our own guarantee to that of the manufacturer's.



We call your special attention to the O-Cedar Polish Mop, the greatest boon to cleaner and better housekeeping we know of. With it you can dust, clean and polish a hardwood floor without getting down on your hands and knees. You can dust the tops of dressers, wash the tops of tables, wash the tops of chairs. You can dust and clean the stairs steps and banisters in half the time it takes to do it the old way.

You can dust under the bed, and under heavy furniture without moving it, and on throughout the house—wherever there is dusting to do. You can do it quicker, easier and better with the O-Cedar Polish Mop.

Unlike other dusting mops the O-Cedar Polish Mop can be washed when soiled, and then renewed by adding a few drops of O-Cedar Polish.

We are so confident that you will be delighted with the O-Cedar Polish Mop that we will deliver one free on ten days' trial. If it is not satisfactory in every respect we do not expect you to keep it, and will instantly return your money. The price of the O-Cedar Polish Mop, complete, is \$1.50. Let us send you one on trial.

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Bassano Mail

THE CHANCE OF A LIFETIME---A GRAND PIANO FREE!**Review of Contest**

It is inaugurated by J. H. Stiles, the popular druggist in Bassano, and for the purpose of increasing his business; it was co-operated in by the "Mail," for the sake of publicity and an increase in its circulation.

It is undertaken at considerable expense, but we believe will be worth the while, for we anticipate great interest.

Votes count on all purchases made at J. H. Stiles, to the tune of one vote for every cent spent.

Votes count on all Job Work printed at and purchased from the "Mail" to the extent of one vote for every cent.

Votes count on all cash advertising published in the columns of the "Mail" during the life of the contest.

Votes count on all paid in advance, and renewal subscriptions. These are the plums for each subscription counts 3000 votes; although it only costs one dollar. The intention of this is to give the candidate in the country, who cannot get into town and the drug store very often, an equal chance with her town competitor. A few subscriptions rustled means a big jump ahead.

Come to the "Mail" office and buy your coupon that can be used any time in advertising or job work, and which carries votes when purchased and votes when traded.

**YOURS FOR THE ASKING
PLUS A LITTLE ENERGY**

J. H. Stiles, the druggist has arranged with the Mail to co-operate with him in presenting you with this handsome instrument.

See paragraph of instructions below and find out exactly what you have to do, and if there is any misty point see Stiles and he will explain it.

THIS PIANO IS A MAGNIFICENT UPTON GRAND

Contest Open Monday Nov. 24



Contest Closes Eve. May 23

Description of Piano

The piano has 7 1/2 octaves, repeating action, three pedals, full iron frame covering wrest plank, and built up pin block of five different layers of hard maple, direction of grain alternating in successive layers to prevent the greatest possible extant, the piano getting out of tune.

The three strings in unison with over string bass, splendidly pitched scale and excellent sounding board; produces the rich, deep, even tones peculiar to the Upton Piano, and so much striven for by manufacturers of high-class instruments. The brackets, pedal guards, hammer rail, and continuous hinges are all heavily nickel plated. The case itself is highly polished, making a first-class artistic instrument in finish, appearance and tone.

By comparison this piano will be found better, heavier and more articulate than most pianos on the market today. Each instrument is fully warranted.

Manufac-turers' Warrant The above piano is warranted to give perfect satisfaction for a period of ten years, provided it is not exposed to extremes of heat, cold, wet or dampness.

Rules of the Game

1. Name of contestant will not be known.
2. Name of contestant will not be published.
3. Every contestant is credited with 2000 votes, to star with.
4. Every contestant gets a number.
5. Standing of contestants' number published weekly.
6. All votes must be brought in for recording on Wednesday.
7. Votes must not be written upon.
8. Tie votes in packages with the contestants' number and the amount on top slip only.
9. Color of votes will change and must be recorded weekly.
10. Votes are transferable only before recording.
11. Contestant having the largest amount of votes on May 23, wins the Piano.
12. Contestants not bringing in personal votes will be dropped.

**Be Sure and Ask for Your Piano
Votes With Every Purchase.**

Cut out this coupon and present it at J. H. Stiles' Store, and he will exchange it for twenty-five votes in the \$400 Piano Contest.

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Genuine medicine.

Signature

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Health Food

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The Social Circle

Mr. T. R. Parkinson of Edmonton spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stiles.

Mr. Jack Hood, of Edmonton, formerly of Bassano was renewing old acquaintances in town this week.

Geo. Stevens, of Stratford, was visiting friends in Bassano last week.

Mr. Smalek, of the Union Bank, spent Xmas day in Foothills.

Among the Bassano visitors at Brooks last week were Mr. E. F. Purrell and Mr. W. McKeown.

Mr. E. R. Muir, Mr. and Mrs. McGeough, of Bassano, spent Xmas at the Hill.

High Chieftain of the Bassano Trading Co., has left Bassano for London, Ont., amid the general regret of his numerous friends.

Donald Donskoik, of the Quebec Bank, Calgary, was looking up old colleagues in Bassano this week.

Mrs. A. A. McKee spent several days in Calgary last week.

Bailiff's Sale

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A CERTAIN CHATTEL MORTGAGE, dated September 1st, 1914, and registered with us we have seen fit and taken possession of the goods in chattels mentioned in the chattel mortgage; which I will offer for sale by public auction at the offices of James Brothers, Essener and Sons, 104 Main Street, Bassano, Alberta, on Saturday the 15th of January A. D. 1914 at 10:00 a. m.

Among the goods seized are the following articles:

THREE (3) Portable houses.

TWO (2) Cook stoves and cooking

THREE (3) Tents.

THREE (3) Hand concrete mixers.
Wheelbarrows,
Hammers, etcetera;
Mlasses
Miscellaneous lumber and
hose connections and a
quantity of other goods
belonging to ditch contractor's outfit.

T. Gibbons
BAILIFF

The Bassano Time Table

GOING WEST
No. 515..... 9.57 o'clock.
No. 2..... 13.41 o'clock.
No. 11..... 14.00 o'clock.

GOING EAST
No. 3..... 17.31 o'clock.
No. 515 arrive 19.30 hrs. 20.00.
No. 14..... 11.00 o'clock.

IRISHMAN LOCAL
Leave Monday, Wednesdays and
Fridays at 5.00 a. m.
Arrive Tuesdays, Thursdays, and
Saturdays at 17.30.

HUTTON STAGE
For Hutton, Farn, Ross Lynn, Sunny
Nook and Stoppington; Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 8.00 a. m.

We extend to our friends and
patrons, best wishes for

A
Merry
Christmas
and
A
Happy
New Year

Thanking you for past favors, and
anticipating a good share of
your patronage in 1914.

**HENDRY &
JOHNSTON**
"THE QUALITY STORE"

Heard on the Street

The only shadow as we drive into the New Year--the installation of the meter system by the Light Co.

Miscellaneous

Read this paper carefully. There may be something you want to buy and can get at bargain prices.

FOUND--Eastern Star Brooch, apply Mail Office or Bassano Trading Co.

FOR RENT--Ten Roomed House. Reasonable rental. Apply T. Frank Davis, Bassano.

FOR SALE--SNAP

Lot 11, Block 20. Price \$400. 1/2 cash, balance in 3 years. Apply to D. C. Macfarland, 214 5th Ave West, Calgary.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned is responsible for any goods delivered to his employees without written authority.

J. McKinley.
General contractor.

FIRE ALARM CALLS.

Ward 1 (West of 4th St. and south of 4th Ave.)--Five bells, pause, then five more, etc.

Ward 2 (West of Fourth St. and north of Fourth Ave.)--Six bells.

Ward 3 (East of Fourth St. and North of 4th Ave.)--Seven bells.

Ward 4 (East of Fourth St. and North of Fourth Ave.)--Eight bells.

Practice Alarm--Three bells.

**PHONE #1****SAILOR BLOCK****THE****Bassano Tinsmithing & Plumbing Co.**

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Bassano and District

Bassano Mail**TO THOSE IN THE PIANO RACE**

To add incentive and impetus to the contest for the handsome Upton Piano, being given away by J. H. Stiles, we beg to announce that we have made provision for the issuing of a series of Due Bills, which carry votes when bought and votes when traded.

We have printed a neat certificate, of fifty cent denomination, which when purchased will give the contestant five hundred votes.

It can be made to apply later either in the purchase of subscriptions, job printing or advertising, and will carry a further five hundred votes when so traded in. In reference to subscriptions it means that each subscription of one year, will be worth 4000 votes.

There is no limit to the due bills, candidates or their friends may purchase.

The standing below shows that the contest is beginning to awaken widespread interest as we predicted, and it behoves everyone to put all their energy into the struggle.

**STANDING
OF CONTESTANTS
FOURTH WEEK**

NO.	VOTES	NO.	VOTES
1.	8,545	24.	124,465
38.	10,965	40.	11,435
44.	76,384	47.	115,470
49.	6,685	55.	49,705
56.	12,065	58.	8,245
64.	11,785	68.	14,585
75.	13,855	80.	6,595
84.	8,435	88.	8,885
90.	5,135	91.	2,120

The subscription getter is the one who is the factor in this contest. You can procure Due Bills that will apply on subscription and are invaluable for votes.